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SUBJECT: NAVY MINISTRY PRESS RELEASE ON SHRIMP BOAT SEIZURES

1. FOLLOWING IS FIRST FOUR PARAGRAPHS OF JORNAL DE
BRASILIA ARTICLE OF JUNE 28, ENTITLED "NAVY SAYS SEIZURE
OF BOATS DOES NOT HURT AGREEMENTS".

(BEGIN TEXT) IN ORDER TO AVOID FALSE OR ERRONEOUS INTERPRE-
TATIONS OF THE ACTION OF THE NAVY IN SEIZING FISHING
VESSELS OFF THE NORTHERN COAST OF THE COUNTRY, THE
MINISTER OF THE NAVY DISTRIBUTED A PRESS RELEASE STATING
THAT THE MEASURES TAKEN ARE IN AGREEMENT WITH INTERNATIONAL
NORMS AND DO NOT REPRESENT HOSTILE ACTION TOWARD ANY
COUNTRY, BUT ON THE CONTRARY THEY REPRESENT THE DEFENSE
AND PRESERVATION OF THE ECOLOGY, SOMETHING THAT
IS OF INTEREST TO ALL OF HUMANITY.
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BRAZILIAN NAVY PATROL SHIPS, WHILE IN THEIR
PATROL DUTIES, HAVE FOLLOWED AN EXPRESSED ORDER
NOT TO GO BEYOND BRAZILIAN TERRITORIAL WATERS, TO
AVOID THE VIOLATION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW, AS WELL
AS THE ECONOMIC INTERESTS AND SOVEREIGNTY OF
OTHER NATIONS.
THE PRINCIPAL OBJECTIVE BEHIND THE

VESSEL SEIZURES, THE PRESS RELEASE EXPLAINS, IS
TO AVOID THE PREDATORY FISHING OF SHRIMP DURING
ITS SPAWNING SEASON AND THEREFORE AVOID THE EXTINCTION
OF THE SPECIES IN THAT REGION.

UP TO NOW--THE PRESS RELEASE CONTINUES--

VARIOUS VESSELS HAVE BEEN REMOVED FROM THE
AREA; THOSE THAT HAVE DISREGARDED THE WARNING TO
STOP FISHING (SOME US AND JAPANESE VESSELS WITH
BRAZILIAN CREWS) HAVE BEEN SEIZED AND TAKEN TO
BELEM WHERE THEY WILL BE RELEASED ONCE THEY MEET THE
OBLIGATIONS PROVIDED BY LAW. (END TEXT)

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